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Chapter 6

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AGES AGO... THE GOLDEN  
REALM OF OSH-TEKK WAS  
RULED BY PROUD WARRIORS.

HELMED BY MY FATHER,  
KOTAL K'ETZ... WE  
CONQUERED ALL ENEMIES.

GROWING SO WEALTHY  
AND POWERFUL... WE  
FORGOT THE MEANING  
OF "DEFEAT"...



...UNTIL THE DAY WE  
MET SHAO KAHN,  
EMPEROR OF  
OUTWORLD...

...AND HIS CHAMPION  
GORO, PRINCE  
OF SHOKAN.





I THOUGHT  
MY FATHER  
A COWARD  
THAT DAY...

IN RECOGNITION  
OF YOUR OBEDIENCE  
AND SERVICE TO ME,  
YOU MAY *KEEP* YOUR  
TREASURE.

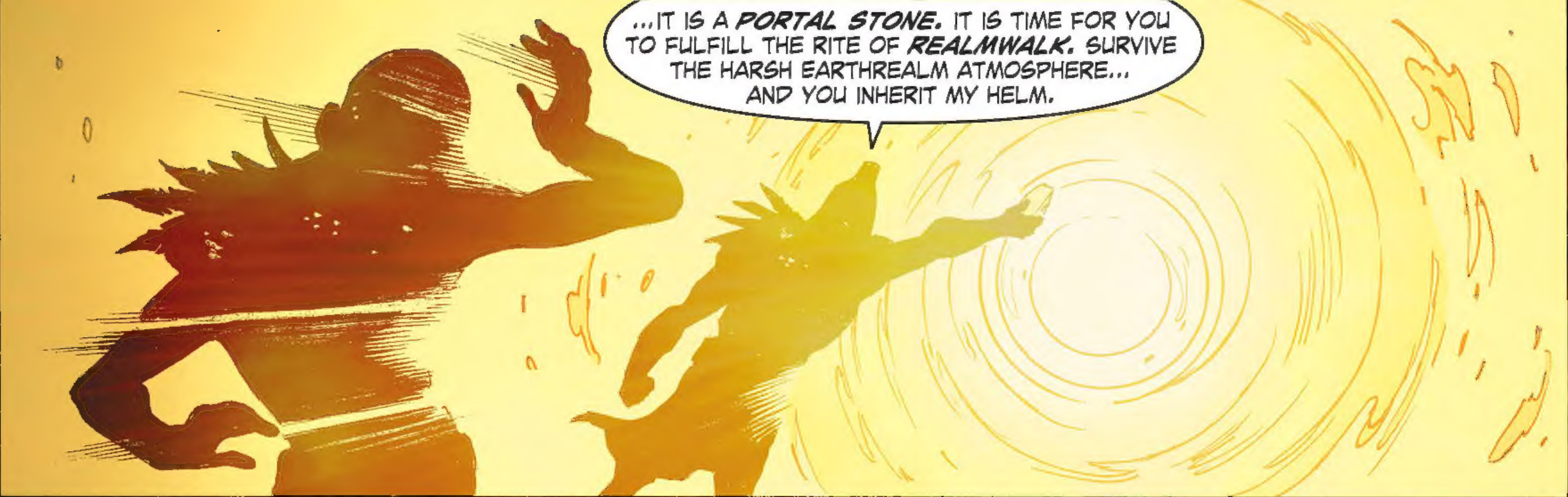


YOU SACRIFICED  
OUR PEOPLES'  
*DIGNITY...* FOR A  
GEM?!


IT IS  
*NOT* A  
GEM...







...IT IS A *PORTAL STONE*. IT IS TIME FOR YOU TO FULFILL THE RITE OF *REALMWALK*. SURVIVE THE HARSH EARTHREALM ATMOSPHERE... AND YOU INHERIT MY HELM.



WHAT GOOD IS YOUR HELM? YOU JUST RELINQUISHED IT TO A *CONQUEROR*.

IF YOU'LL HEAR NO OTHER ADVICE, HEAR THIS: THE PEOPLE OF EARTH ARE LOCKED IN *ETERNAL WAR*.

YOU ARE *NOT READY* TO JOIN THEIR FIGHT.



SURVIVING IN  
EARTHREALM  
WAS DAUNTING.



WHEN MY LEGS WOULD GO NO  
FURTHER, I REFLECTED ON MY FATHER'S  
WORDS: "YOU ARE NOT READY."



PERHAPS HE WAS NOT  
WARNING ME... BUT  
CHALLENGING ME TO  
CONQUER THIS PLACE.

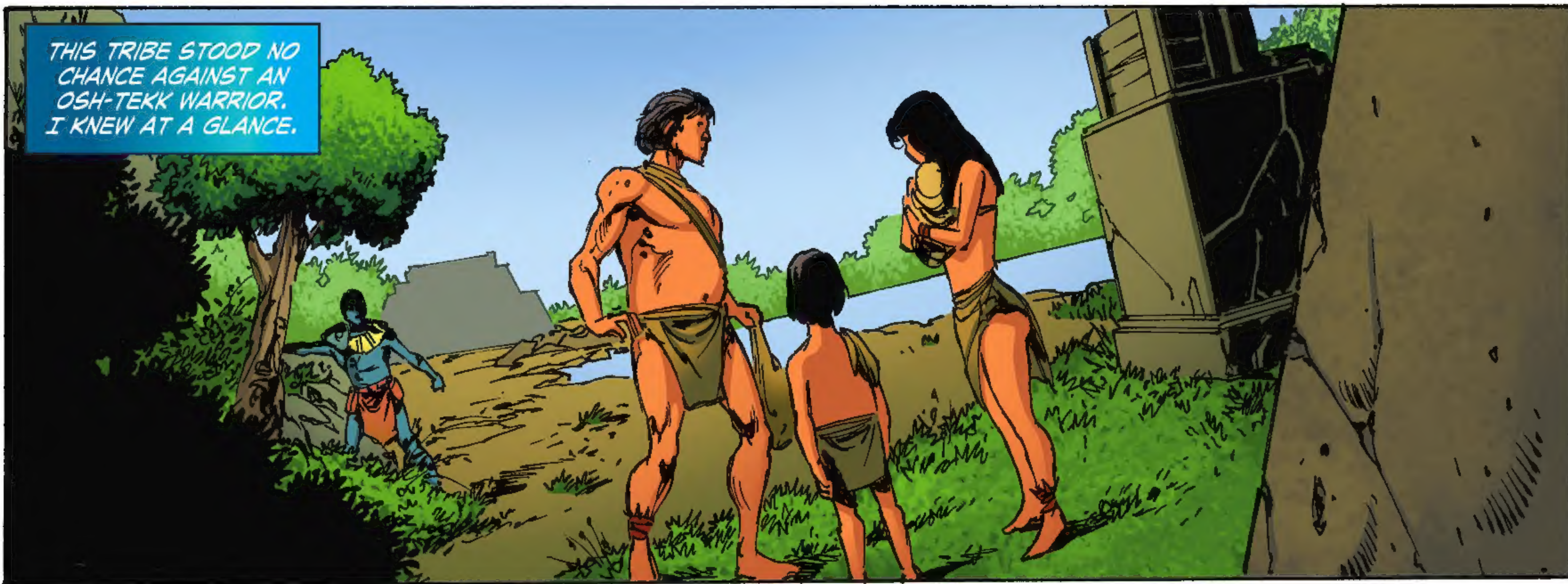


I JOURNEYED UNTIL I REACHED  
A LAND THAT REMINDED  
ME OF HOME... THE AMAZON.





THIS TRIBE STOOD NO  
CHANCE AGAINST AN  
OSH-TEKK WARRIOR.  
I KNEW AT A GLANCE.



AS DID  
THEY.







BY FATE, I WAS NOT  
THE ONLY WARRIOR THEY  
ENCOUNTERED THAT DAY.



<HELP!  
SOMEBODY  
HELP  
ME!>\*

\*Translated from  
the original Mayan.







I REFLECTED  
ON MY MISSION



WHAT IF I WASN'T HERE TO  
CONQUER... BUT TO SAVE  
THIS TRIBE, AS MY FATHER  
COULD NOT SAVE OURS?







MY FATHER HAD SPOKEN TRUE  
WAR WAS CONSTANT FOR THE TRIBE  
AGAINST THEIR OWN NEIGHBORS



AND AGAINST THE  
MEN FROM THE SEA

FORGED BY BATTLE  
I BECAME MORE THAN  
A WARRIOR



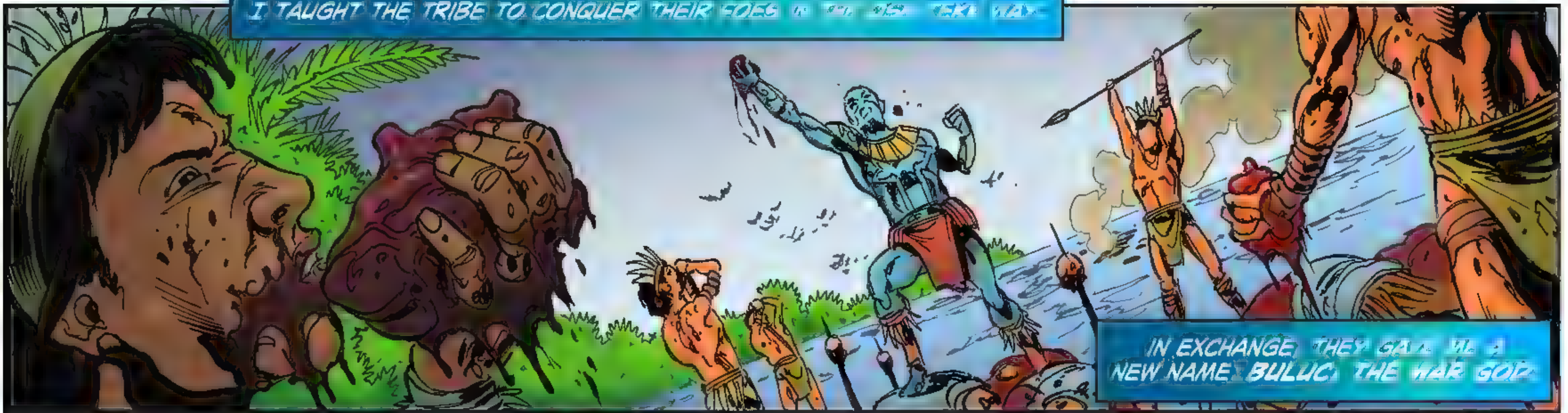


I WAS  
A GOD





I TAUGHT THE TRIBE TO CONQUER THEIR FOES IN THE OLD, OLD, OLD WAY



IN EXCHANGE THEY GAVE ME A  
NEW NAME: BULUC, THE WAR GOD


BUT AS THEIR ENEMIES  
DWINDED, I GREW  
RESTLESS. I ELECTED TO  
RETURN TO OUTWORLD



EXPECTING MY  
FATHER'S PRIDE







YOU HAVE GROWN  
STRONGER. YET YOU  
*DISAPPOINT.*

DISAPPOINT  
WHO, FATHER?  
I PROTECTED  
THE WEAK...

AND YOU  
HAVE DOOMED  
THEM! YOU ARE  
BLIND TO THE  
CONSEQUENCES  
OF YOUR ACTIONS.  
RETURN THE  
PORTAL STONE  
TO ME--



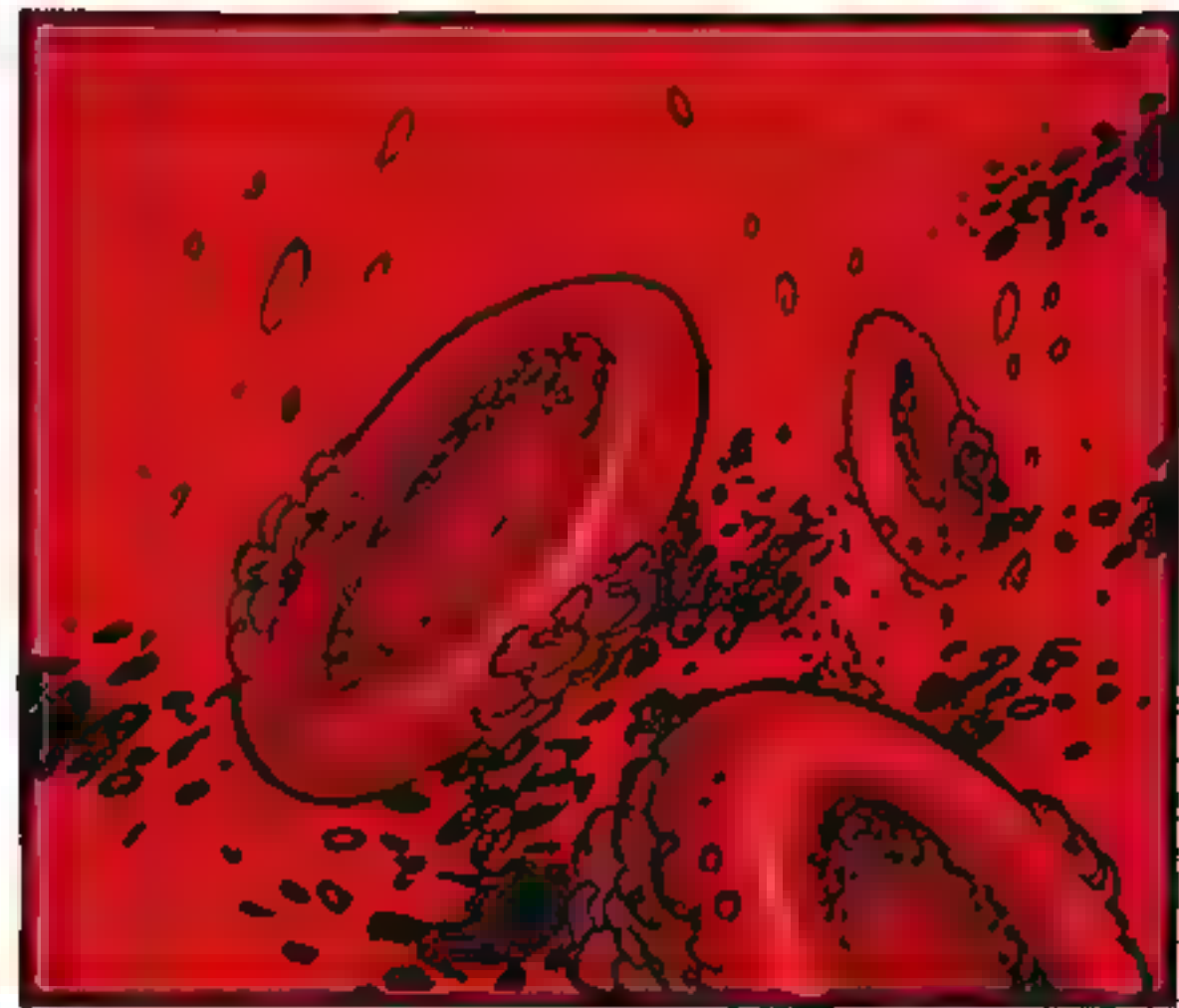




I RETURNED TO MY AMAZON TRIBE,  
BUT THEY HAD FALLEN IN MY ABSENCE.



WE DEFEATED THE  
MEN FROM THE SEA.



BUT I HAD NEVER CONSIDERED  
THE ENEMIES IN THEIR BLOOD.



Z'UNKAHRAH,  
OUTWORLD.

TODAY.

THAT WAS  
LONG BEFORE *SHAO  
KAHN* DIED AND THE MAD  
EMPRESS, *MILEENA*, DROVE  
OUTWORLD TO THE BRINK  
OF DISASTER.

BEFORE I  
DEPOSED THAT  
*ILLEGITIMATE  
CLONE* TO RESTORE  
THE REALM.

OVER  
THE PAST DECADE...  
WE HAVE DRIVEN *MILEENA'S  
FORCES DEEP UNDER-  
GROUND*. HER THREAT TO  
OUR EMPIRE IS SO REDUCED...  
WE BARELY SENSE IT. WE  
MAY EVEN FORGET SHE'S  
THERE.





THIS WAS MY FATHER'S  
LESSON: EVEN THE MIGHTIEST  
WARRIORS...ARE DEFEATED  
BY THE *SMALLEST*  
THREATS...



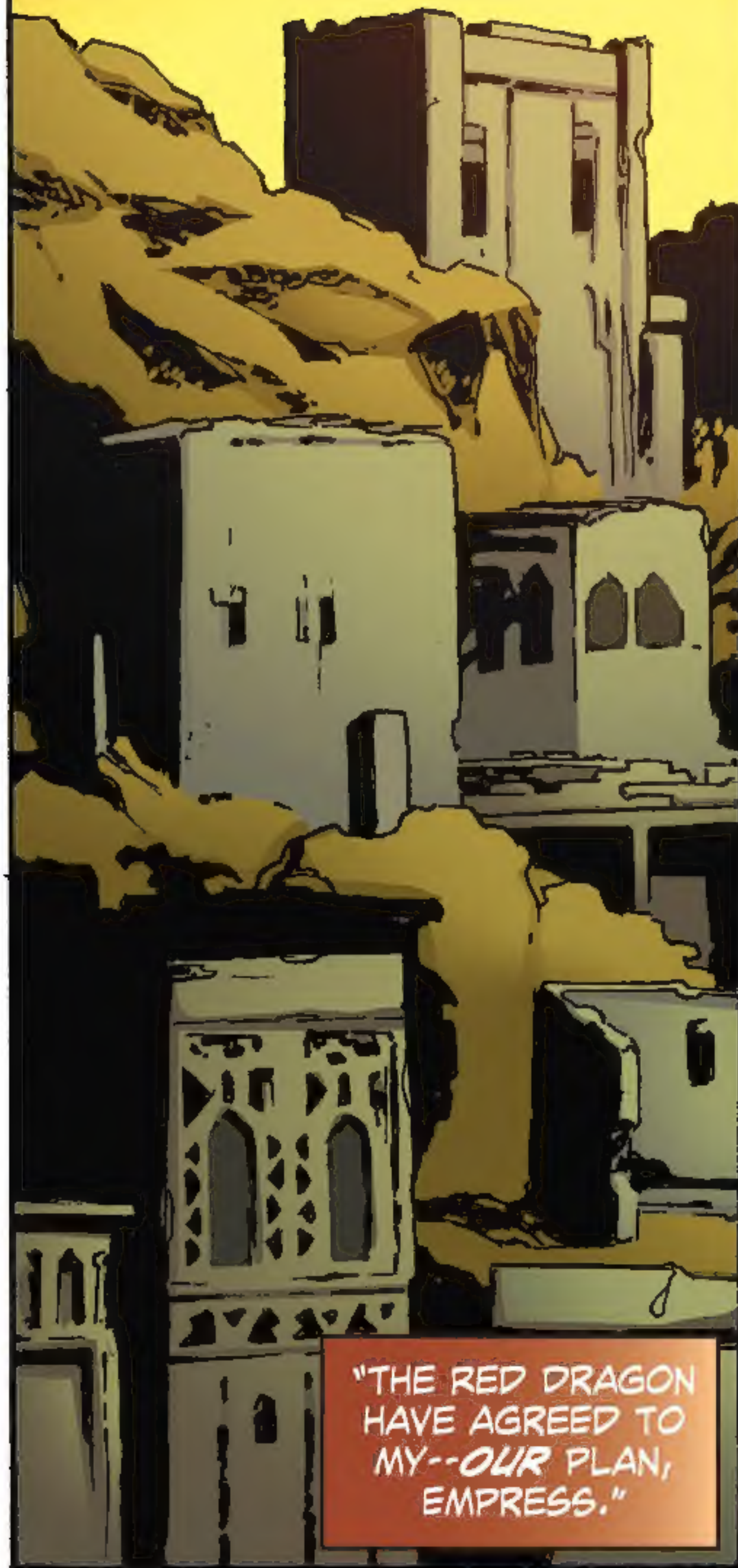
WE WILL HUNT MILEENA  
AND HER CO-CONSPIRATORS...  
WE WILL CRUSH EVERY ROCK THEY  
HIDE UNDER...UNTIL WE *ERADICATE*  
ALL OPPOSITION TO THIS EMPIRE...  
NO MATTER HOW GREAT  
OR SMALL!

*HAIL  
KOTAL  
KAHN!*

*HAIL KOTAL  
KAHN!*



THE GOLDEN DESERT.



"THE RED DRAGON  
HAVE AGREED TO  
MY--*OUR* PLAN,  
EMPRESS."

SPLENDID,  
GENERAL  
REIKO. YOU ARE  
DISMISSED.



WE HAVE EVERYTHING  
WE NEED. EVERY-  
THING BUT YOU.



WHAT DO YOU SAY,  
*MY PRINCE?* WILL  
YOU JOIN ME?







WILL **GORO**  
TAKE REVENGE  
AGAINST THE  
USURPER?

VERY WELL,  
MILEENA. YOU WILL  
RESTORE THE SHOKAN  
TO OUR FORMER  
GLORY...

...AND IN  
RETURN, I WILL  
FINISH KOTAL  
KAHN.



NEXT: **OUTWORLD AT WAR**





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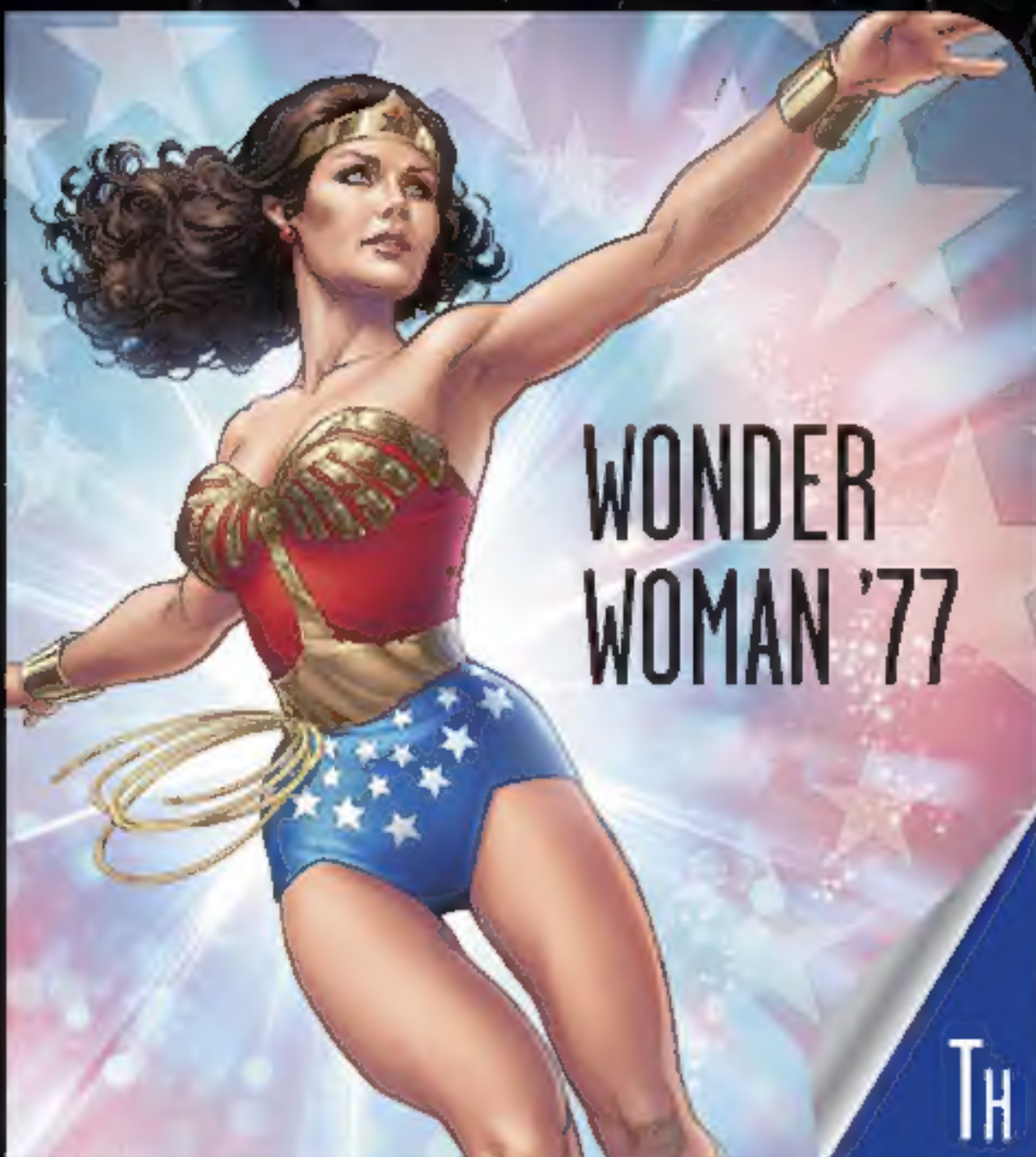
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GO! MONTHLY



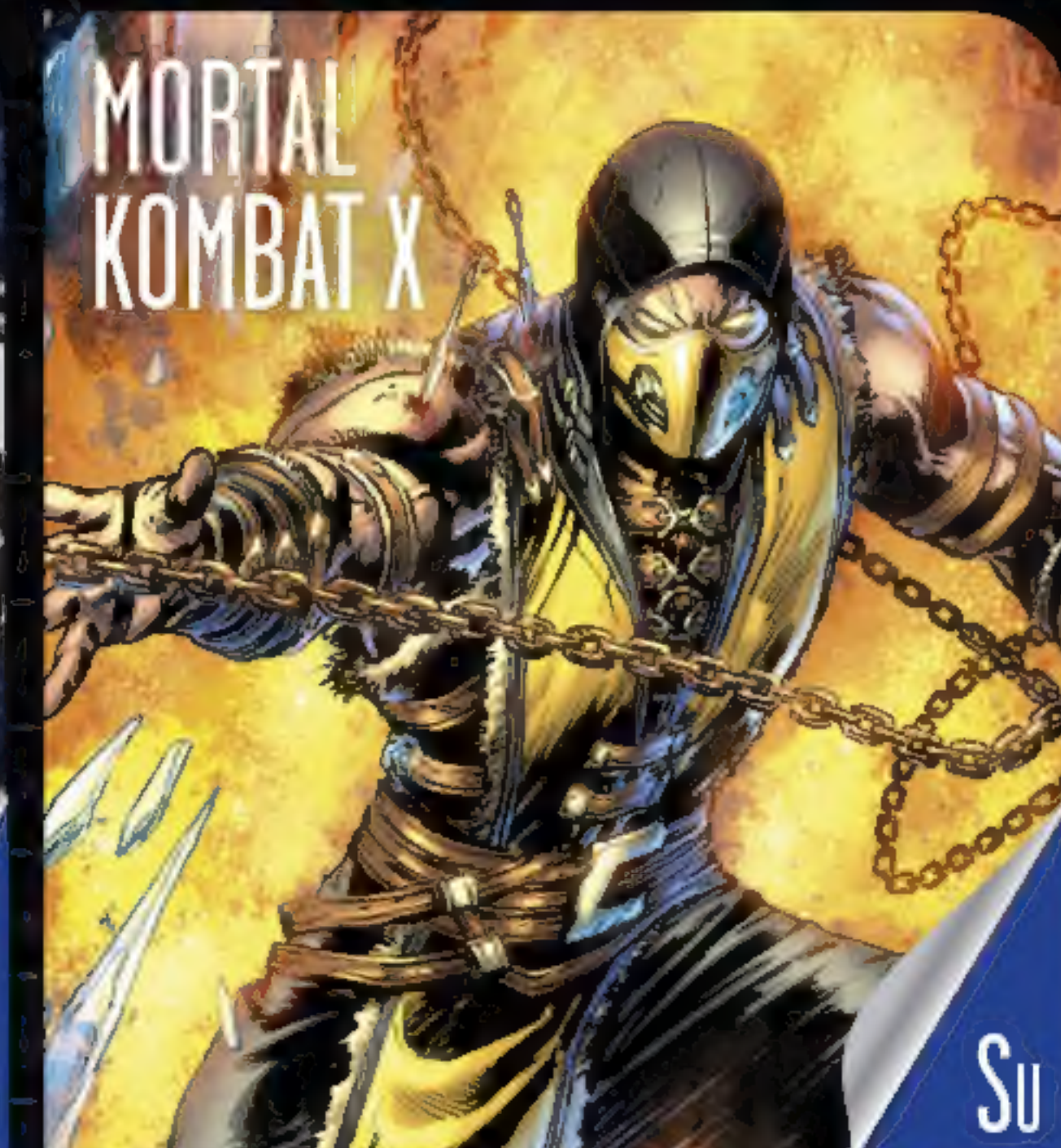
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BATMAN:  
THE JIRO KUWATA  
BATMANGA



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SON OF ULTRON

"THIS FAN...  
THIS MONSTER!"

